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April 11, 2008

Honorable Anne K. Quinlan Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D. C. 20423 RECORDATION NO. 20283-FLD

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

I have enclosed for efiling the document described below, to be recorded pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 11301.

The document is a Termination of Lease, a secondary document, dated as of April 11, 2008. The primary document to which this is connected is recorded under Recordation No. 20283. We request that one copy of this document be recorded under Recordation No. 20283-E.

The names and addresses of the parties to the Termination of Lease are:

## Lessor:

U.S. Bancorp Equipment Finance, Inc. 13010 S.W. 68th Pkwy Portland, OR 97223

#### Lessee:

Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation 140 North Phillips Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57101

A description of the equipment covered by the Termination of Lease consists of 54 gondola cars numbered DME 80000-80032, inclusive, and 80034-80054, inclusive.

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A fee of \$35.00 is enclosed. Please return the original to:

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A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows: a Termination of Lease between U.S. Bancorp Equipment Finance, Inc., 13010 S.W. 68th Pkwy, Portland, OR 97223, and Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation, 140 North Phillips Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57101, covering 54 gondola cars numbered DME 80000-80032, inclusive, and 80034-80054, inclusive.

**Enclosures** 

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RECORDATION NO. 20283-E

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## TERMINATION OF LEASE

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, The Railroad Equipment identified in the Attachment hereto was leased from Lessor to Lessee pursuant to: (1) that certain Master Lease Agreement dated as of September 25, 1996 between Lessor, and Lessee, which was recorded at the Surface Transportation Board (the "STB") on September 30, 1996 at 10:00 am under Recordation No. 20283; (2) that certain Schedule Number 11300.001 dated as of September 25, 1996 between Lessor, and Lessee, which was recorded at the STB on September 30, 1996 at 10:00 am under Recordation No. 20283-A; and (3) that certain Partial Release dated as of June 3, 2005 by Lessor, which was recorded at the STB on June 7, 2005 at 2:58 pm under Recordation No. 20283-D for one gondola car numbered DME 80033 (all collectively referred to as the "Lease"); and

WHEREAS, the duties and obligations of the parties to the Lease have been satisfied and discharged with respect to the Railroad Equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and covenants in the documents set forth above by reference, and for other valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and the authority to issue and execute this document, intending to be legally bound, and recognizing the need to officially terminate the Lease of the Railroad Equipment in the files of the STB, Lessor and Lessee hereby terminate and cancel the Lease of the Railroad Equipment as of the date herein first written above; provided that this termination does not apply to provisions of the Lease stated to survive such termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Termination of Lease to be duly executed as of the date hereinabove first written.

U.S. Bancorp Equipment Finance, Inc.	Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation
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U.S. Bancorp Equipment Finance, Inc.	Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation
Ву:	By: MV PWO
Title:	Title:
_	Kurt V. Feaster, Chief Financial Officer Treasurer & Ass't Secretary

State of Oregon )	
State of Oregon ) ss. County of Washington	
to me personally known, who, being by me of U.S. Bancorp Equipment Finance, Inc., instrument on behalf of U.S. Bancorp Equi	ore me personally appeared Kristin Voss e duly sworn, says that (s)he is Vuce Presidentand that (s)he is duly authorized to sign the foregoing ipment Finance, Inc., and (s)he acknowledged that the free act and deed of U.S. Bancorp Equipment  Notary Public  My commission expires: 3-3-2011
State of South Dakota) ) ss. County of Brookings)	
On this day of April, 2008, befo	
	Corporation and that (s)he is duly authorized to sign
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	Notary Public
	My commission expires:

State of )	
County of )	
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On this <b>Q</b> day of April, 2008, It to me personally known, who, being by of Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railro the foregoing instrument on behalf of I	before me personally appeared <u>Furty Frasker</u> , y me duly sworn, says that (s)he is <u>Formation</u> and Corporation and that (s)he is duly authorized to sign Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation, and of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of Corporation.  Notable Public

My commission expires: 6-15-12

## **ATTACHMENT**

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